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§ 1952.340 Description of the plan as initially approved.

(a) The plan identifies the Wyoming Occupational Health and Safety Commission as the agency to be responsible for administering the plan throughout the State. The Commission will be responsible for promulgating and enforcing occupational safety and health standards and deciding contested cases, subject to judicial review.

(b) The State program will protect all employees within the State, including those employed by the State and its political subdivisions. Public employees are to be granted the same protections as are afforded employees in the private sector. The State plan does not cover employees of the Federal government or those employees whose working conditions are regulated by Federal agencies other than the U.S. Department of Labor.

(c) The Wyoming Occupational Health and Safety Act gives the State agency full authority to administer and to enforce all laws, rules, and orders protecting employee safety and health in all places of employment in the State. The legislation provides employer and employee representatives an opportunity to accompany inspectors before or during the physical inspection of any workplace for the purpose of aiding such inspection; adequate safeguards to protect trade secrets; effective sanctions against employers; protection of employees against discharge or discrimination; procedures for prompt restraint or elimination of imminent danger situations; the right to review by employers and employees of alleged violations, abatement periods and proposed penalties; and prompt notice to employers and employees of alleged violations of standards and abatement requirements.

(d) Administrative regulations include procedures for permanent and temporary variances; notice to employees or their representatives when no compliance action is taken as a result of a complaint, including procedures for informal review; information to employees on hazards, precautions, symptoms and emergency treatment; and training and education programs

for employers and employees, including an on-site consultation program consistent with the criteria set out in the Washington Plan decision (38 FR 2421).

(e) The State intends to promulgate Federal standards covering all of the issues contained in parts 1910 and 1926 of this chapter but will not cover those found in parts 1915, 1916, 1917, and 1918 of this chapter (ship repairing, ship building, breaking, ship longshoring). The State also plans to adopt additional vertical standards relating to oil well drilling and servicing not provided by the Federal program. Future Federal standards shall be promulgated by the State within six months after promulgation by the Secretary of Labor. In the case of product standards the State has provided assurances that any State product standards will be required by compelling local conditions and will not unduly burden interstate commerce.

(f) The plan sets out goals and provides a timetable for bringing it into full conformity with part 1902 of this chapter. All personnel employed to carry out the plan are to be hired under the Wyoming Personnel Merit System which conforms to standards established by the United States Civil Service Commission. The plan also contains a detailed description of the resources that are to be devoted to it.

[39 FR 15395, May 3, 1974, as amended at 50 FR 26558, June 27, 1985]

§ 1952.341 Developmental schedule.

- (a) Adoption of Federal standards as State standards by February 1975.
- (b) Administrative regulations for recordkeeping and reporting, variances, posting requirements, employee complaint procedures, inspections under the Act, employee exposure to toxic materials, providing information to employees on their exposure to hazards, personal protective equipment, medical examinations, and monitoring, safeguarding trade secrets, administrative review of citations, proposed penalties, and abatement periods, to become effective by June 1, 1974.
- (c) Amendments to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act to be submitted to the State Legislature January 1975 and to become effective by May 1, 1975.

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- (d) Management Information System to be completed August 1, 1974.
- (e) Merit staffing for administration of the program to be completed by August 15, 1974.
- (f) Amendments to the State's Fair Employment Practices Act to be submitted to the State Legislature which convenes January 14, 1975.

[39 FR 15395, May 3, 1974. Redesignated at 50 FR 26558, June 27, 1985]

§ 1952.342 Completion of developmental steps and certification.

- (a) In accordance with §1952.343(a) the State adopted Federal standards covering all the issues contained in 29 CFR parts 1910 subparts D through S, and 1926 (The State will not cover parts 1915, 1916, 1917, and 1918). (40 FR 8948, Mar. 4, 1975; 41 FR 26767, June 29, 1976.)
- (b) In accordance with the requirements of 29 CFR 1952.10 the Wyoming posters for private and public employees were approved by the Assistant Secretary on July 14, 1976.
- (c) In accordance with §1952.343(d), Wyoming has developed and implemented a Management Information System
- (d) The State plan has been amended to include an Affirmative Action Plan outlining the State's policy of equal employment opportunity.
- (e) Guidelines and procedures for implementing the State's safety and health program for public employees were approved by the Assistant Secretary on June 1, 1978.
- (f) In accordance with §1952.343(b), Wyoming has promulgated its rules of practice and procedure which were approved by the Assistant Secretary on December 11, 1980.
- (g) Legislation revising the enabling law to provide for civil enforcement of safety and health violations and revised regulations establishing procedures for review of enforcement actions was approved by the Assistant Secretary on December 19, 1980. (45 FR 83483)
- (h) The State has met its plan commitment for hiring enforcement staff under an approved merit system for administration of its health and safety program pursuant to a July 3, 1980 memo from Don Owsley, Administrator

- of the Wyoming Occupational Health and Safety Department.
- (i) As required by 29 CFR 1902.34(b)(3), the personnel operations of the Wyoming Occupational Health and Safety Department have been found to be in substantial conformity with the "Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration" by the Office of Personnel Management in a letter dated October 17, 1980.
- (j) In accordance with §1902.34 of this chapter, the Wyoming occupational safety and health plan was certified, effective December 30, 1980, as having completed all developmental steps specified in the plan as approved on April 25, 1974, on or before April 25, 1977. This certification attests to structural completion, but does not render judgment on adequacy of performance.
- [41 FR 28789, July 13, 1976, as amended at 41 FR 30329, July 23, 1976; 42 FR 45907, Sept. 13, 1977; 43 FR 25424, June 13, 1978; 43 FR 34463, Aug. 4, 1978; 45 FR 83485, Dec. 19, 1980; 45 FR 85740, Dec. 30, 1980; 47 FR 1290, Jan. 12, 1982. Redesignated at 50 FR 26558, June 27, 1985]

§ 1952.343 Compliance staffing benchmarks.

Under the terms of the 1978 Court Order in AFL-CIO v. Marshall, Compliance staffing levels (benchmarks) necessary for a "fully effective" enforcement program were required to be established for each State operating an approved State plan. In September 1984 Wyoming, in conjunction with OSHA, completed a reassessment of the levels initially established in 1980 and proposed revised compliance staffing benchmarks of 6 safety and 2 health compliance officers. After opportunity for pulbic comment and service on the AFL-CIO, the Assistant Secretary approved these revised staffing requirements on June 27, 1985.

[50 FR 26558, June 27, 1985]

§ 1952.344 Final approval determination.

(a) In accordance with section 18(e) of the Act and procedures in 29 CFR part 1902, and after a determination that the State met the "fully effective" compliance staffing benchmarks as revised in 1984 in response to a Court Order in *AFL-CIO* v. *Marshall* (CA 74–406), and was satisfactorily providing